(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) The following steps have been taken by Delhi Jal Board to conserve water :—

(i) A comprehensive scheme amounting to Rs. 197 lakhs has been approved for the work of detection of unaccounted for water by specialized agencies which is under implementation. Latest additional equipments have also been procured for detection of hidden leakages.

(ii) For augmentation in the storage of ground water and control in decline of water levels, rain water harvesting projects have been taken up. Work on 41 such projects has already been completed and 17 are in progress.

(iii) Govt, of National Capital Territory of Delhi is creating water storage in the reach between Dhansa and Kakrola regulator in Najafgarh drain to raise the ground water level.

Suggestions of CM, Delhi for Changes in Town Planning of the Capital

1134. SHRl K. RAHMAN KHAN: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Chief Minister of Delhi has recently sent a letter to him containing some suggestions for changes in the town planning of the capital; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the action taken thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION (SHRI BANDARU DATTATRAYA): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. The response to the observations of CM, Delhi have been sent to her. Most of the observations of CM, Delhi arises from the subject matter of a Supreme Court case M.C. Mehta vs. Union of India CWP No. 4677 / 85. The matter is sub-judice in the Supreme Court.

Demolition of unauthorised constructions in Delhi

1135. PROF. M. M. AGGARWAL: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) the details of buildings and unauthorised constructions demolished in Delhi during the last two years and till date;

(b) the details of compensation granted to affected people during this period;

(c) whether it is a fact that no proper notice was served to the concerned persons for demolishing the above buildings; and

(d) if so, the reasons therefor and the reaction of Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION (SHRI BANDARU DATTATRAYA): (a) Details of unauthorised constructions/encroachments demolished in Delhi during the last two years, as reported by various agencies, are as under:

(1) Delhi cantonment Board has demolished 115 unauthorised construction/ encroachments during the period from 1.1.1999 to 31.12.2000.

(2) NDMC has demolished 136 unauthorised constructions during the period from 1.4.1999 to 31.1.2001.

(3) DDA has removed unauthorised construction in 49 DDA Flats during the last two years. It has also demolished 11399 structures including encroachments on DDA land.

(4) Information is being collected from Municipal Corporation of Delhi and the same will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

(b) No compensation is paid for demolition of the unauthorised constructions.

(c) and (d) It has been reported by the concerned agencies/departments that notices are issued as per provisions of relevant Acts/Building bye-laws before unauthorised construction is removed/demolished.

Unauthorised Encroachment in front of Hyatt/EIL

1136. SHRI GOPALSINH G. SOLANKI: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that unauthorised encroachments in front of Hyatt Hotel/EIL and surroundings offices and Faridkot House lane near Baroda Hoase etc. has been made with the help of Delhi Police and concerned authorities;

(b) whether electricity/water/telephone connections etc. have been provided to the kiosks/JJ clusters etc;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and